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Dear Sir:

This paper is filed contemporaneously with the filing of a Request for Continued Examination under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 to remove the finality of a final Office Action mailed July 7, 2003 in connection with the above-captioned patent application. In light of a request for a one-month extension of time and fee therefor enclosed herewith, response is due by November 7, 2003 and is, therefore, timely filed.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application.

Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2.

1. **Submission required under 37 CFR 1.114**

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- ii. ☐ Other _____

b. ☒ Enclosed

- i. ☒ Amendment/Reply iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) iv. ☒ Other Request For a One-Month Extension of Time

2. **Miscellaneous**

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) required)
- b. ☐ Other _____

3. **Fees**

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- a. ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 08-1935
- i. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(e) 11/12/2003 \$5192.01 00000073 09803778
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- iii. ☐ Other _____
- b. ☒ Check in the amount of \$ \$880 enclosed
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